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ELECTION TO FILL A VACANCY ON THE FINANCE COMMITTEE IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 9, PARAGRAPH 5, OF THE ANNEX TO THE AGREEMENT RELATING TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF PART XI OF THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE LAW OF THE SEA

Note by the Secretary-General

1. The Assembly is invited to note that Ms. Samia Ladgham (Tunisia) ceased to be a member of the Finance Committee with effect from 15 December 1997. Ms. Ladgham was elected as a member of the Committee on 13 August 1996 for a term of five years with effect from 1 January 1997 (ISBA/A/L.13).

2. Section 9, paragraph 5, of the annex to the Agreement relating to the implementation of Part XI of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea ("the Agreement"), provides that in the event of the death, incapacity or resignation of a member of the Finance Committee prior to the expiration of the term of office, the Assembly shall elect for the remainder of the term a member from the same geographical region or group of States.

3. In accordance with section 9 of the Agreement, the Finance Committee shall be composed of 15 members with appropriate qualifications relevant to financial matters. Members of the Finance Committee shall be elected by the Assembly.

4. On 4 March 1998, the Government of Tunisia informed the secretariat of the Authority of the nomination of Mr. Walid Doudech (Tunisia) to fill the vacant seat on the Finance Committee. The text of the notification by the Government of Tunisia appears in the annex to the present document.

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Annex

NOTE VERBALE DATED 2 MARCH 1998 FROM THE PERMANENT MISSION OF TUNISIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARIAT OF THE INTERNATIONAL SEABED AUTHORITY

The Permanent Mission of Tunisia to the United Nations presents its compliments to the secretariat of the International Seabed Authority and, with regard to the matters before the fourth session of the International Seabed Authority (Kingston, 16-27 March 1998), has the honour to inform the Secretariat that the Government of Tunisia has decided to present the candidacy of Mr. Walid Doudech to fill the vacant seat on the Finance Committee in order to replace Ms. Samia Ladgham of Tunisia.

Mr. Walid Doudech has been serving in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs since 1989. He started his career in the Department of International Organizations and Conferences where he dealt with, inter alia, the work of several regional and international meetings. He joined the Permanent Mission of Tunisia in 1993 where he was designated to cover the work of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee), the General Assembly and several working groups. He is now also in charge of the work of the Sixth Committee, including matters related to the law of the sea. Mr. Doudech has been occupying the position of Counsellor in the Mission since 1995. He holds a Bachelor's degree in international law and a Master's degree in political sciences.